Seneca Park Zoo kicks off summer this Memorial Day Weekend

Visit the alligators and enjoy daily programs

May 22—Summer is almost here and Seneca Park Zoo is the perfect place to connect with nature as the days get longer and the weather warms up in Rochester. With new animals to visit and a full schedule of daily programs beginning Saturday, May 27, there is something new to discover every day this summer.

Three American alligators are back at the Zoo after spending the winter at St. Augustine Alligator Farm and Zoological Park in Florida. The reptiles came to Rochester earlier this week and will remain at the Zoo through Labor Day weekend.

You can visit the alligators at the first Alligator Experience of the summer at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, May 29. Other animal experiences demonstrate how our animals stay healthy, engaged, and active as zoo keepers demonstrate behavioral training, feeding, or environmental enrichment.

Summer Programs, sponsored by McDonald’s, also include Member Mornings, exclusive animal encounters just for members before the Zoo opens to the public; Keeper Chats, where you can talk to zoo keepers and zoologists to hear about the animals they care for; and Conservation Animal Encounters, where you can get up close and personal with one of our education animals, and learn about the Zoo’s local and global conservation efforts at the Nature Connection Stage.

Visit senecaparkzoo.org/summerprograms to see the full schedule.

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Internationally, and in our own backyard, Seneca Park Zoo plays a key role in species survival. Chartered as an educational institution in 1957 by New York State, the Seneca Park Zoo Society plays an integral role in supporting Monroe County, the owners and operators of the Zoo. Together, we are working to bring animals back from the brink of extinction.